Continuing Education

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South Carolina State Library provides continuing education, staff development and training courses to library staff and public library trustees throughout South Carolina.

TechTrax

Access videos from the Tech Institute and PowerPoint presentations from Stephen Abram, Jenny Levine, and Michael Stephens, and keep current with technology topics at the State Library's TechExpress web site.

TechTrax Learning 2.0 page on the LibraryTrax blog shares tutorials, information about Learning 2.0 programs and more.

Certification

Certification assists library boards and librarians in selecting competent personnel and helps to ensure that public funds are being spent for quality service. It improves the status of librarianship as a profession.

Register for Seminars, Workshops and Other Programs

Check out the South Carolina State Library's online registration site for continuing education and training opportunities.

Teleconferences

The State Library of South Carolina has purchased a site license for the College of DuPage teleconference programs at no charge to libraries within the state.

Satellite Downlink Network

Public library satellite downlinks provide library patrons and community members with access to various scheduled

broadcasts and distance education offerings provided by SCETV, PBS, the University of South Carolina and many others.

South Carolina State Library OPAL Room

OPAL (Online Programming for All Libraries) provides cooperative Web-based programming and training for library users and library staff members.

Schedule of upcoming free Library and Information Science Programs.

Schedule of all upcoming free events (including genealogy, history, book discussions and more)

Archive of all previous events and sessions

 - Archive of State Library's OPAL Sessions

Conferences and Professional Associations

AALL - (American Association of Law Libraries)

ALA Events and Conferences

The American Library Association, made up of 11 divisions and 15 offices, sponsors numerous conferences, meetings, forums, institutes, library promotions and other events.

Digital Libraries - Conferences, workshops and seminars listing.

EDTECH - South Carolina’s premier educational technology conference is designed to promote the use of educational technology to enhance student learning.

Internet Librarian Conference   - and other conferences hosted by Information Today, Inc. (including Computers in Libraries, Internet@ Schools and more).

PALMCOP - (Palmetto Archives, Libraries, and Museums Council on Preservation).

PLA - (Public Library Association)

NAGTAD - (National Association for Government Training and Development)

SCASL - (South Carolina Association of School Librarians)

SCAVA - (South Carolina Association of Volunteer Administration).

SCLA (South Carolina Library Association)

SELA - (Southeast Library Association)

The Masie Center - Learning Lab and Think Tank. The Masie Center is an international ThinkTank focused on the changing workforce and how they will learn and perform.

Training Magazine Events and Conferences

Additional Training Resources for Librarians

SOLINET Continuing Education and Training

 - SOLINET Educational Services provides a varied curriculum addressing concerns of all library types and all staff levels.

DESC.info

 - DESC.info (Distance Education South Carolina) provides quick and convenient access to the distance education offerings of South Carolina.

Library Video Network (LVN)

 - Library Video Network produces training programs for libraries.

Shaping Outcomes:

 - A free, online curriculum in outcomes-based planning and evaluation (OBPE), designed for library professionals and others. Teaches the concepts and vocabulary of outcomes-based planning and evaluation in project design.

School of Library and Information Science, University of South Carolina

 - The School of Library and Information Science (SLIS) at the University of South Carolina is a part of the College of Mass Communications and Information Studies. The Panning for Gold Series   offers continuing education opportunities for library staff and students.

South Carolina Library Association (SCLA)

 - South Carolina Library Association's event calendar.

Technical College System

 - South Carolina Technical College System is a statewide system which includes 16 technical colleges, a Center for Accelerated Technology Training for industry-specific training and a State Tech Board staff.

WebJunction Courses

 - An online community for library staff. This site includes a large catalog of library related self-paced learning courses, featured live courses and course of the month. Many are free and few have a nominal fee.

Free Online Library Tutorials and Training Resources

 - This site contains a complilation of tutorials and resources that cover a variety of library topics and are a good way to supplement your library skills. Stephanie Gerding, author of The Accidental Technology Trainer: A Guide for Libraries, maintains this site so check back often for new tutorials and training guides.

LE@D Online Courses

 - The State Library is sponsors seats in the LE@D distance education courses. Public library staff and trustees are able to participate. Please limit the number of classes for your library system to 5 per month.

 You will need to enter the specific code assigned to the class that you would like to participate in (contact your staff training coordinator or Julie Boller at jboller@statelibrary.sc.gov for information about the codes).

Education Institute

 - The learning programs of The Partnership year-round are offered coast-to-coast through teleconference, Webcast and on-line. Special conferences and stand-alone face-to-face programs are available to all Partnership association members at preferred rates.